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Dear Sir

Transmitted herewith for filing are the specification and claims of the utility patent application of:

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Title of Invention:

SUPERFICIAL ZONE PROTEIN AND METHODS OF MAKING AND

USING SAME

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